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Examiner:

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Communication Regarding Uninitialed References on Form 1449

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231



Dear Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of an Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on October 2, 2002, but have not received notification that all of the references submitted have been considered. Applicants request that the Form 1449 be initialed in the space provided to indicate that this document has been considered. The details follow.

Applicants filed an Information Disclosure Statement on October 10, 2001. Applicants received an initialed Form 1449 indicating the Examiner's acknowledgment of these references with the October 2, 2002 Official Action. However, acknowledgment of a Supplemental IDS and Form 1449 citing three references thereon, filed on August 13, 2002, has not been received.

Applicants are submitting a courtesy copy of the Information Disclosure Statement and Form 1449 filed with the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 13, 2002 with a copy of the return postcard showing a Patent and Trademark Office date stamp of August 19, 2002, indicating these documents were received. Applicants are not submitting copies of the references at this time. However, if the Examiner deems it necessary, copies of the cited prior art will be resubmitted.

Attorney for the Applicants state that the above-referenced copies are true copies of the originally mailed correspondence.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner promptly return a copy of the initialed Form 1449 to the Applicants' representative with the next Office communication.

If a telephone conference would be helpful in resolving any issues concerning this communication, please contact Applicant's attorney of record, Hallie A. Finucane at 952.253.4134.

Respectfully submitted,

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Petition for One Month Extension of Time and check in the amount of \$110.00

Amendment with Appendix A

Check in the amount of \$18.00 for extra claim fee

Other: Communication Regarding Uninitialed References on Form 1449 with enclosures

Transmittal Sheet

Return postcard

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
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